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WEETER DISCUSSES "DRYING" OF TOWNS

SAYS NO GUESS WORK WITH HIM—HE KNOWS.

One Caught In the Closing of Idaho Cities and From a Former Advocate of "Dry" Policy Comes Out as Opponent of Open Towns.

J. C. Weeter, who designates Salt Lake City as his residence since selling a few months ago his twenty-one lumber yards in the state of Idaho, came down from Zion last Friday in company with Frank L. Parker, a prominent lumber dealer of that city and who is largely interested in Price real estate as well as a third owner in the business of the J. C. Weeter Lumber company of this city. The gentlemen spent two days here with Manager Loof-bourne of the local firm, afterwards returning to Salt Lake City.

It has been the intention right along of Messrs. Weeter and Parker to erect another business block this spring directly to the east of their building at the corner of Main and Ninth streets, but now they have deferred the matter until after the proposed local option election here next June. Briefly stated if the city remains "wet" they are to go ahead with their plans. If "dry" they wait and see "how the cat jumps," as it were.

Mr. Weeter is a large city property owner at Pocatello, Id., which has been a dry town for some time and has had experience. He believes in the regulation of the saloons, but has no use for local option, or rather the conditions that usually follow local option. The saloon, in his opinion, at the worst is preferable to the "bootlegging," which invariably follows as at Pocatello and other towns in Idaho and Utah too numerous to mention.

Messrs. Weeter and Parker found their business at Price and at Helper, as well, in a most flourishing condition and went away more than satisfied with results from the management at both places. Mr. Weeter has lately visited Kansas City, where he not long ago became largely interested in acreage property close in to the business center of the city at the mouth of the Kaw.

About the proposed saloon closing, fostered by a local league, Mr. Weeter gave The Advocate the following interview:

"A burnt child dreads the fire. I am one of the children that has been burned on this closing proposition. As is well known in Idaho, if not in Utah, I have always stood for a closed town. Like all people desiring the elimination of the liquor traffic I used my best efforts in Idaho for the closing of the saloon. In that state there is a local option law quite similar to the Utah statute. The results are far different from what I anticipated. To be more specific, at Pocatello the county has practically bankrupted itself in attempting to prosecute bootleggers. Until we can have nation wide prohibition I am unalterably against local option.

"So much so am I opposed to the closing of cities and towns, knowing full well what it means from a business standpoint, that if Price should shut out the saloons, as far as I am concerned, I will never invest another nickel in the "Biggest Little City" and will retrench in a business way just as fast as is possible.

"There is another very potent factor to be considered in the attempt to close Price. Should this little city eliminate the saloons it would be found that in the event other places near by remained open Price would suffer more than the casual observer can realize. The large amount of money now spent in the local third amusements would find its way to other communities, which would gain exactly just what this place loses by a closed policy.

"I really believe that the people of the 'biggest little city' are too sensible to allow themselves to be misguided in this matter."

Dr. Slopansky, City Physician.

The last meeting of the Helper town board appointed Dr. F. R. Slopansky city physician with a salary of \$250.00 per annum.

DEPUTY U. S. MARSHAL JULIAN RILEY REAPPOINTED

Julian Riley, deputy United States marshal, came down on No. 8 yesterday to serve subpoenas on John Diment and Mrs. Mike Niksa, now Alice Whitney, who are wanted as witnesses before the federal grand jury.

Mr. Riley was feeling tip-top, especially mentally, as the first official act performed by the new U. S. marshal, Aquila Nebeker, upon taking oath of office yesterday afternoon, was to re-appoint him to the position he now occupies. L. H. Smyth, chief deputy, was re-appointed by the new marshal this morning.

Although both of these appointments are old line republicans, neither of them expect to be asked to resign during Mr. Nebeker's term of office. The new marshal thinks he owes but little to the state democratic machine and is attempting to fill the offices under him with competent men regardless of their party affiliations.

Mr. Riley is on his way to the reservation and went down to Mack last night. He has subpoenas for about forty witnesses, most of whom are Indians, and whom the government wants as witnesses before the federal grand jury.

STATE DEMOCRATS WILL PUBLISH A NEWSPAPER

The failure of Tom Keams to swallow the proposed fusion between democrats and progressives has led the prominent democrats to undertake the publication of a party paper. According to present plans, the new organ will begin as a weekly. Its promoters hope to be able to get out a semi-weekly and then a tri-weekly within the next few months and by the time of the fall election a daily during the heat of political battle. Democrats throughout the state will be asked to take stock in the new enterprise. The first number is to appear next Saturday and is to be about such a typographical production as a Salt Lake publication styled The Progressive.

REPORTS HIGHER PRICES FOR OUTPUT OF WOOL

BOSTON, March 28.—The Commercial Bulletin says of the wool market today:

"While the volume of business has not been large, prices have been firmly maintained during the week and if anything are notably higher. Supplies of domestic wool are extremely limited. Sales of foreign wool have been principally of medium and medium to fine cross-breeds.

"Advices from abroad indicate a firm market everywhere, with the prices against the buyer. Further advances on staple goods are reported in New York dry goods market and prices on tops and yarns are strengthening."

Progressive Fusion Revolution.

Some prophets are without honor even when away from home. W. E. Cadmus, heralded as a national progressive organizer, is having the poorest kind of success in Zion advising progressives to align themselves with Utah democrats. Such men as Stephen Love are throwing several kinds of fits over even the suggestion. And that isn't all. At a banquet given the other night to Mr. Cadmus by Zion progressives the bull moosers were not backward in telling the gentleman from Indiana how absurd they thought such a program would be. There were some mighty hot speeches "feralms" and the meeting adjourned with at least half of "those present" in a very ill humor and ready to return to the republican fold rather than stomach the democratic propaganda.

Mrs. Leo Pegano Dead.

Mrs. Leo Pegano died Tuesday from blood poisoning caused about a week ago by giving birth to a stillborn child. The deceased leaves a husband and six children, the oldest of whom is twelve years of age. The family is well known in Price, Mr. Pegano having a ranch adjoining the city on the east. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon, Father Pedino officiating. The Helper band played the funeral march for the occasion, and the respect in which the deceased was held was evidenced by the large funeral cortege.

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GETTING IN DEEP WATER

Another Intervention Suit Against Union Savings.

Another suit in intervention in the case of Albert C. Fleher and others against the Union Savings and Investment company was filed in the district court at Salt Lake City by William E. Fernley.

Fernley charges that the company is insolvent; that its assets have been dissipated by wrongful acts of its officers, and that he and other stockholders have been defrauded of the amounts they invested in the company. He asks for a return of six hundred dollars invested by him and for the appointment of a receiver.

It is alleged that the company has fallen entirely into the hands of D. J. Williams, general manager, and that Williams is appropriating all the income of the company to the payment of fancy salaries to himself and members of his family.

As previously stated in The Advocate there are several stockholders in Price and Carbon county of the Union Savings and Investment company who will undoubtedly be losers on the stock they have in the Williams company. The company was originally organized by Brigham H. Roberts and members of the Snow family. It was because of the connection of those names with the company that many were induced to become stockholders.

Brigham H. Roberts built one of several homes at Salt Lake City and elsewhere with money borrowed from the Union Savings and Investment company. Afterwards he resigned as its president, but not until Roberts was "plenty and good" in the clear. Later the Williams crowd, D. J. Williams and W. P. Williams, and an alleged lawyer, one N. V. Jones, came into control.

That they have grossly mismanaged the affairs of the company and dissipated its funds and other assets is plain to anyone that has stopped to inquire into conditions. However, stockholders of the company have lately begun to get inquisitive and are determined that the Williams bunch must make reparation.

In this connection Willard Dene, state insurance commissioner and examiner of building and loan associations, is not without blame as he has repeatedly assured interested ones that the company was solvent and would make good. Whether Dene has been ignorant of conditions or stood in with the Williams bunch it is not for The Advocate to say.

One of the assets of the Union Savings and Investment company is a block of ground south of the railroad tracks at Price, worth perhaps a thousand dollars if divided up and sold off in town lots. This is a part of the David Williams estate and has been appraised (7) by the loan association at seventeen thousand five hundred dollars.

It was sold by the Williamses to the Union Savings and Investment company. As matters come to the surface the Union Savings and Investment develops to be about the rottenest thing on the part of the Williams crowd ever pulled off in this or any other state.

METHODIST CHURCH.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society will combine their regular April meeting and their annual thank offering service in a missionary tea to be held at the church, Saturday afternoon, 3 to 5, April 4th. All the women of the congregation with their friends are cordially invited.

Sunday, April 5th—Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. At 2 p. m., Rev. R. J. Kiker, the new preacher from Helper, Y. M. C. A., will hold a meeting for men only—boys twelve years and older included. He will deliver his great address, "Chains That Bind." Music in charge of Prof. Irving Gingrich. Let all the men come. Epworth League at 7 p. m.; preaching by pastor at 8 p. m.

Song service and preaching at 7:30 every night except Saturday during the week following.

JAMES E. FERRIS, Pastor.

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WELL KNOWN HERE

Millionaire Once Looked Over Carbon County For Oil.

Helen Sherman, a wife who for two years has been a charge of the Wisconsin state industrial school at Milwaukee, now has a real home. Her foster father is Clarence Page, a millionaire of Tulsa, Okla., who recently declared his intention of adopting a thousand children.

One day recently Miss Mary J. Berry, superintendent of the industrial school, referred in Helen's hearing to the philanthropic work being done by the Oklahoman, remarking that he had adopted in the neighborhood of three hundred poor children.

"He is my uncle," interpreted the girl, much to the astonishment of her auditors.

Subsequent investigation revealed that the girl had told the truth. The uncle was communicated with, and he promptly adopted his niece.

Page is well known throughout Colorado, being at the time of both Cripple Creek fires a resident of that camp, where he made and lost money. About ten years ago, when the first oil boom struck Carbon county, Page looked over this country as to its oil possibilities, but he did not favorably consider it. Page is quite well known to several Price citizens, formerly of Colorado, who begrudge him none of his suddenly acquired wealth. He went from Price to the Oklahoma country.

POWER PLANT LEASED

Sidewalk Ordinance Passed—\$5.00 to First Man With Horse Cart.

The electric light and power plant is to be leased to J. H. Manson of Provo, who is now operating the plant at Scofield. This was definitely decided upon at the last meeting of the city council. The lease runs for a period of five years, for which Manson pays the city the sum of \$4000, payable in monthly installments of \$100 each. New steel casings are to be installed at once, or at least within the next few months, to cost not to exceed \$2000, for which the city is to stand the expense. Manson to advance the money for the improvement. The lease, under the contract entered into, must serve the city with all public lighting and steam heating free of charge and must put in all installations. The regular charges per kilowatt now in effect prevail under the contract.

At the meeting Tuesday night the sidewalk ordinance was passed upon third reading. It embraces practically the entire part of the residence district. The ordinance in full is published elsewhere in this impression.

Hereafter the first wagon to arrive at the scene of a fire with the hose cart is to receive the sum of \$5.00. The second wagon gets \$2.50.

A resolution offered by Councilman A. W. McKinnon that the marshal be instructed to enforce prostitution and gambling ordinance and the state law regarding the closing of saloons was unanimously passed.

Alfred Goudier was granted a permit to erect a corrugated building west of the "60" saloon.

A SAMPLE SENTIMENT.

Recently the McDonald Real Estate and Investment company had practically closed a deal with a gentleman living in Hiawatha for some Price property. So little remained to be done in the matter that it seemed to be but a question of the prospective purchaser paying the price and receiving his deed. On the 29th Mr. McDonald received the following communication from the buyer:

"In regard to the buying of that property by myself and brother, Frank, I see by a Price newspaper that some of the people are attempting to have a dry town there. I will wait until after election, as we have decided not to invest at the present time."

Hamilton Resigns.

At the last meeting of the town board of Helper, W. T. Hamilton tendered his resignation as councilman and the same was accepted. Mr. Hamilton has been a member of the board for the past six years.

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CARBON TO BE REPRESENTED AT THE CALIFORNIA FAIR

At a meeting of the board of county commissioners yesterday a resolution was adopted that one-fifth of a mill levy be made by the county assessor for the purpose of an exhibit at the San Diego and San Francisco fairs. The display will consist of coal and asphaltum. A. C. Apperson of the Denver and Rio Grande met with the commissioners to urge action along this line. Dan Spencer of the Oregon Short Line was Mr. Apperson's guest, as well as J. A. Austin.

The board listened to the report of Robert McKune that bridges in Soldier canyon needed repairs to the extent of about \$250 and, on motion, ordered that the work be done.

The tree inspector was allowed three weeks in which to make an examination of the trees in the county.

George Wilson, an indigent from Scofield, was given a railroad ticket to Denver and \$2.00. Wilson is a discharged soldier and in coming from Scofield had lost the money for his transportation which had been sent by a Denver relative. He had placed it in a grip and someone stole the grip, which also contained his discharge papers.

GRAND COUNTY CATTLE BRING TIPTOP FIGURES

What is considered as a banner price for steers in the history of the stock industry of this part of the state will be received by the Indian Creek Cattle company, which has just closed a deal with Wheeler & Lavender of Telluride, Colo., whereby they will receive \$36 a head for yearlings, \$45 for two-year-olds and \$55 for three-year-olds. In the neighborhood of eight hundred steers will be delivered to Wheeler & Lavender by the company. The deal was secured by a large forfeiture payment, amounting to over \$25,000.

W. G. James and Andrew Somerville have also sold their steers to Wheeler & Lavender, and will receive the same price that the Indian Creek company obtained. Last year the Indian Creek company sold to the Telluride buyers and received \$23, \$27 and \$45. Several stockmen, it is reported, have this year sold yearlings at \$37 and \$37.50.

UNUSUALLY GOOD PRICES ARE PAID FOR WOOL CLIP

The Indian Creek Cattle company will receive 17 1/2 cents a pound for their 1914 clip of wool, says Moab's Times. They have sold their Claco clip to Judd & Root, the Boston wool buyers. J. F. Glah, buyer for the firm, was there recently and closed the deal.

This price is considered unusually good by sheepmen. Many wool-growers in the state have contracted at fourteen and fifteen cents. The price received last year by the Indian Creek company averaged fourteen cents a pound.

M. L. A. Program.

The Young Women's and the Young Men's Mutual Improvement associations will render the following program at the L. D. S. tabernacle, Sunday, April 5th, at 7:30 p. m.: Vocal selection, male quartet; clarinet solo, Lynn Fausett; vocal duet, Miss Gardner and Miss Snow; lecture, Dr. R. E. Cloward, subject, Sanitation of Home and Household; reading, Miss Agnes MacLean; piano selection, Miss Edna Fausett; vocal selection, male quartet. The public is cordially invited to attend.

E. M. Sumner is building additional warehouse room adjoining his large furniture establishment. When the new building is finished Mr. Sumner will have approximately 1600 square feet of storage space.

Mrs. R. W. Crockett entertained the Auction Bridge club yesterday afternoon. Prizes were won as follows: Mrs. W. E. Anderson, hostess; prize; Mrs. Stanley Ballinger, club prize, and Mrs. Gus Olson, guests' prize. The guests were: Mesdames Fouts, F. E. Woods, C. E. Harrison, Gus Olson, R. B. Kirkpatrick, W. C. Decker, Matt Gilmore, F. L. Watrous, C. W. Tingley, Thos. Dunaway, Geo. Nelson, W. T. Huffman, W. E. Anderson, C. H. Stevenson, Thos. Flanagan, Rex Miller, Carlos Gunderson, C. H. Varner, Miss Anna Sharp.

Location notices carried in stock at The Advocate.—Adv.

CAMERON PROPERTY MODERNLY EQUIPPED

OUTPUT ABOUT SIX HUNDRED TONS DAILY.

New Tiptoe Completed and In Commission—Company Owns Three Hundred Sixty Acres of Prime Coal Land in Carbon County.

Up at Bear Canyon, about a mile west of Castle Gate and immediately south of the main line tracks of the Denver and Rio Grande, has lately been developed what promises to be one of the great producing coal mines of Eastern Utah. It is the individual property of Frank N. Cameron, vice general manager of the Consolidated Fuel company and for many years superintendent of the mines in Carbon county and at Somerset, Colo., of the Utah Fuel company. The property, however, is incorporated as the Cameron Coal company. But "it's all in the family," as it were.

Charles Ledger, a young man recently from Dawson, N. M., is the superintendent in charge of the properties and is regarded by mining men generally as a most competent one. He was practically reared at Castle Gate, and is the son of Stephen Ledger, most pleasantly remembered by many old timers at Helper, Castle Gate, Price and elsewhere in Carbon county. Gentle with his men, but at all times strictly business, Superintendent Ledger has that in him that commands the best there is in those under him. Briefly, he has accomplished much in a very short time that might have taken others a much greater distance around.

The first of this month the new tipple, built by Sam C. Sherrill of Salt Lake City, was completed and is now in commission. It is modern and equipped with machinery and appliances that are the last word in handling the output from the interior of the mine to railroad car. Then the machinery at the power house is of the very best that is made, modern and in the hands of competent persons. The tipple and machinery equipment alone runs around fifty thousand dollars.

At present the accommodations for miners with families are meager, but this is to be overcome with the advent of building weather by the erection of fifty or more four to six room dwellings. The contract is already let. There is a well stocked store at the camp equal to that in the merchandise carried of any similar institution in Carbon county. The camp is right at Castle Gate Rock and not too far away from the town of Castle Gate for the children of miners to attend one of the very best public schools anywhere in the state, the larger cities not excepted. However, a new school district will no doubt soon be created there.

The Cameron mines with holdings of about three hundred and sixty acres have an extension of the famous Castle Gate veins—one of them six feet and the other eight feet—just the right workable size. The coal is of as good quality as any in Carbon county. If not superior to some. With the completion of this new tipple and the installation of modern machinery the Cameron mines already can make an output of five to six hundred tons a day and this may be increased within a few months to a thousand to fifteen hundred.

For an outing by automobile or buggy there is no more pleasurable trip than that from Price to the Cameron properties at this time of year. In between there is Panther Canyon, Castle Gate and Willow Creek, to say nothing of the improvements that are going on at Spring Glen, Helper and the work being done by the Utah railway out of Castle Gate towards Black Hawk, Hiawatha and Mohrland. Improvements and new enterprises hereabouts are reckoned by the millions.

Great, and growing greater, this old county of Carbon, notwithstanding our unwary (?) reputation with the long faced hypocrites at Zion and closer home.

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